

**REMARKS**

**I. Status of the Claims:**

Claims 18-47 are pending in the application.

**II. Obviousness-Type Double Patenting Rejection:**

Claims 18-47 appear to have been rejected under the obviousness-type (non-statutory) double patenting rejection in view of claims 1-5 of U.S. Patent No. 6,163,800 to Ejiri.

To address this issue, the Applicant respectfully submits herewith a Terminal Disclaimer. Accordingly, reconsideration and allowance of this application are respectfully requested.

**CONCLUSION**

Based on the foregoing, the Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejection of claims and allowance of this application.

**AUTHORIZATION**


The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required for consideration of this Amendment to Deposit Account No. 13-4500, Order No. 1232-4303US2.

In the event that an extension of time is required, or which may be required in addition to that requested in a petition for an extension of time, the Commissioner is requested to grant a petition for that extension of time which is required to make this response timely and is hereby authorized to charge any fee for such an extension of time or credit any overpayment for an extension of time to Deposit Account No. 13-4500, Order No. 1232-4303US2.

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